IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO.760 OF 2007
IN
CRIMINAL APPEAL NO.614 OF 2007

Kukulavaram Venkat Reddy
@ Aziz Reddy @ Baba Reddy. ..Applicant.
(Orig.Accused-4)

Versus

The State of Maharashtra. ..Respondent.

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Mr.A.P.Mundargi, Adv. with Mr.P.P.Runwal, Adv. for the Applicant.
Mrs.A.S.Pai, APP, for the State.

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CORAM : R.M.S.KHANDEPARKAR AND SMT.V.K.TAHILRAMANI,JJ.

DATED : SEPTEMBER 07, 2007.

P.C.:-

1. Heard the learned Counsel for the applicant and the learned APP for the State

2. The applicant has been convicted mainly under Section 364A and 387 of IPC. The applicant is now seeking bail.

3. The learned APP states that the applicant was absconding hence he should not be granted bail. However, Mr.Mundargi has submitted that there is no material to show that the applicant was one of the persons who kidnapped the victim. It is an admitted fact that the victim has not

identified the present applicant as having taken part in the kidnapping. Moreover, the other accused persons who are similarly situated and tried separately have only been convicted under Section 387 of IPC and sentenced to three years imprisonment whereas the applicant who was tried separately was also convicted under Section 364 of IPC and sentenced to life imprisonment. Looking to all these facts, we are inclined to grant bail to the applicant.

4. The applicant- Kukulavaram Venkat Reddy @ Aziz Reddy @ Baba Reddy to be released on bail in the sum of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rs.One Lakh Only) with two sureties to make up the said amount. The sureties shall be local sureties. The applicant shall report to Dongari Police Station on the first and third Monday of every month till disposal of Appeal. It is clarified that the above observations are made only for the purposes of disposing of the bail application.

5. Application is disposed of accordingly.

[R.M.S.KHANDEPARKAR,J.]

[SMT.V.K.TAHILRAMANI,J.]